

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENT

First Paragraph, page 18, please amend to read as follows:

--~~Fig~~ Figs. 1(a) ~~is a~~ and 1(b) are schematic ~~view~~ views
showing the structure of one example of the image forming
apparatus of the present Invention. --

REMARKS

A Notice of Drawing Inconsistency With the Specification was mail dated on June 25, 2003. In order to comply with this Notice, Applicants have hereby amended the first paragraph on page 18 of the Application to refer to both Figs. 1(a) and 1(b). Support for this amendment can be found on page 23, in the fifth paragraph. No new matter has been entered by this amendment.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this case is now in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. Should any extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit Account # 02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,

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